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**BELTON, TEXAS MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON
FOR TRANSPORTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

(AUSTIN, TEXAS) This morning, U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks sentenced 47-year-old **DAVID LYNN McKEEVER** to 87 months in Federal prison for transporting child pornography in interstate commerce. In addition, Judge Sparks ordered that McKeever be placed under supervised release for a period of three years after completing his prison term. Judge Sparks also order that while under supervised release, McKeever must comply with the Texas sex offender registration law, refrain from having contact with children under 17, and restrict his use of the computer to access the Internet.

On November 19, 2001, the 47- year-old Belton man admitted during a plea hearing that, on December 5, 2000, he knowingly transported and shipped in interstate commerce by computer and via the Internet four visual depictions of minors (persons under the age of 18 years) engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

On December 14, 2000, agents executed a state search warrant at McKeever's residence in Austin. At the time the warrant was executed, McKeever was conducting an instant message ("IM") conversation via computer with an undercover law enforcement officer posing as a 14-year-old boy living in Wisconsin. After being advised of, and voluntarily waiving, his *Miranda* rights, McKeever verbally admitted to sending the images over the internet.

"This case is an example of the aggressive enforcement of federal child pornography laws that this office will pursue against those who traffic in images that are abusive and exploitive of our children," stated United States Attorney Johnny Sutton.

This case was investigated by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, the Texas Attorney General's Internet Bureau, and the Austin Police Department. This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney John Klassen of the Texas Attorney General John Cornyn's Internet Bureau and Assistant United States Attorney Matt Devlin.

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